to the valley. It was small and threshed very slowly, using horses as its source of power. When the grain had been through the machine it still had to be run through a fanning mill to separate the kernels from the chaff. This mill was hand operated and also very slow. As a result, some of the grain did not get harvested before winter set in.

The prospects of winter seemed less bleak that year for there were many more people in the valley and more adequate preparations had been made. To help the time pass more quickly, a dramatics group was organized. Some very good plays were produced with John Crook, James Duke, C. N. Carroll, John Galligher and John Jordan taking the leads.

The saints also could look forward to regular Church services on Sundays in their new meeting house. A choir was organized to help with the music and John Crook, talented in many lines, served as the choir leader.



JOHN CROOK Original Settler and Early Historian

Schools were also conducted during the winter months for the education of the people. John M. Young was the first school teacher and the classes were held in the meeting house with students sitting on rough benches or stools using make-shift desks fastened to the walls.

There were other interests in the new valley, too, for the records show that on Christmas Day, 1860, Charles C. Thomas claimed as his bride, Emmaline Sessions. They were married by Thomas Rasband in the first ceremony to be performed in the valley. That evening another couple, Harvey Meeks and a Miss Dougal were married at Center Creek by Silas Smith.

John M Young 1st Heber Fort School Teacher

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Married Theodocia Kimball 1813. Their children: Char-

Married Ann Oliver 1857, Sait Lake City. 1271
Missionary in Pennsylvania, Ohio and New York, 1834-36;
president high priests quorum; president Kirtland stake.
Farmer, Died April 27, 1870.

YOUNG, JOHN MCCLEVE (son of John Young and Sarah McCleve). Horn Aug. 7, 1836, Salt Lake City.

Married Chioe Louise Spencer Aug. 7, 1883, Salt Lake City (daughter of Daniel Spencer and Elizabeth Funnel of Salt Lake City). She was born March 16, 1866. Their children: John Groo b. July 31, 1884; Spencer b. Sept. 7, 1886; Sarah Irene b. Dec. 18, 1888; Dorothy b. Aug. 20, 1897; Waldemar Van Cott b. March 21, 1905.

Missionary to Australia 1876-77 and to England 1909-11; president Y. M. M. I. A.; member 16th quorum seventies. City marshal 1890; member legislative council 1888. Clerk.

lotte; Caroline, m. Martin Harris; Louisa, m. Lyman O. Littlefield; Chrissa; Candace.

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Married Sarah McCleve October, 1853, Salt Lake City (daughter of John McCleve and Nancy Jane McFern of Belfast, Irciand). Their children: Lydia Ann b. Nov 7, 1856, m. Marion Merrill; John McCleve b. Aug. 7, 1856, m. Cibice Louise Spencer; Joseph b. June 23, 1859, d. March 8, 865

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The area for the fort was 80 rods square, lying between what is now First West and Fourth West Streets and 2nd North and 5th North Streets. Within that fort area the company of men built their houses close

together, with sufficient openings to let their stock in and out. The houses were built with green cottonwood logs that were cut on the river bottoms.

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